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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A value document, comprising a value document

substrate and at least two different feature substances for checking the value document,

wherein the first feature substance is incorporated into the volume of the substrate of the

value document, and the second feature substance is provided on a surface of to-the value

document substrate in the form of a printed coding extending over a predominant part of

a total surface area of the surface of the value document substrate.

Claim 2. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein the first feature substance is distributed substantially uniformly within the

volume of the value document substrate.

Claim 3. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein a third feature substance different from the first feature substance is incorporated

into the volume of the substrate of the value document.

Claim 4. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 3,

wherein the third feature substance is distributed substantially uniformly within the

volume of the value document substrate.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein at least one of the first or third feature substance is formed by at least one of a

luminescent substance and a mixture of luminescent substances.

Claim 6. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein the second feature substance is formed by a luminescent substance or a mixture

of luminescent substances.

Claim 7. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein at least one of the feature substances is formed on the basis of a host lattice

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doped with rare earth elements.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1, wherein a fourth feature substance is applied to the value document, which is different

from the second feature substance.

Claim 9. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 8,

wherein the fourth feature substance is formed by a feature substance absorbent in the

infrared spectral range.

Claim 10. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 9,

wherein the fourth feature substance is substantially colorless or has only weak inherent

color in the visible spectral range.

Claim 11. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 8,

wherein the fourth feature substance is formed by a substance selected from the group

consisting of a magnetic substance, an electroconductive substance and a substance with

an optically variable effect.

Claim 12. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 8,

wherein the fourth feature substance is printed on the value document in the form of a

coding.

Claim 13. (Cancelled)

Claim 14. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein at least one coding is a bar code.

Claim 15. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein at least one coding represents information about the value document, the

information being present in one of encrypted and unencrypted form.

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Claim 16. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein the value document substrate comprises a printed or unprinted cotton fiber paper.

Claim 17. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein the value document substrate comprises a plastic film that is one of coated,

printed and unprinted.

Claim 18. (Cancelled)

Claim 19. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 1,

wherein the substrate is paper having the form of a moist paper web during its

production, and the second feature substance is applied to the moist paper web, in

particular sprayed on, in the form of the coding during papermaking.

Claims 20-31. (Cancelled)

Claim 32. (Previously Presented) The method value document according to claim

8, wherein the fourth feature substance is printed on the value document.

Claim 33. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 9,

wherein the infrared spectral range is selected from the group consisting of above about

1.2 μ m; and from about 1.5 μ m to 2.2 μ m.

Claim 34. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 10,

wherein the fourth feature substance does not have significant absorption even in the near

infrared up to a wavelength of about 0.8 µm.

Claim 35. (Previously Presented) The value document according to claim 13,

wherein said at least one coding extends over a substantially total surface of the value

document.

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Claim 36. (Cancelled)

Claim 37. (Cancelled)